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SUMMARY OF CHANGES 2010-2011

1. All private land in counties having a firearms antlerless deer season (Class N or NN) will be open November 22 – December 11 and December 29-31. All public lands having an antlerless deer season will be open November 24 – December 11 and December 29-31. Bag limits vary among counties but will be either one, two or four antlerless deer. See pages 12-18.
2. Fall wild turkey hunting season has been expanded in 2010 with 13 counties open October 23-30; 12 counties open October 23 - November 6; and 14 counties open October 23 - November 20. See page 33.
3. Black bear hunting seasons have been expanded in 2010 with 10 counties open September 27-29; nine counties open September 27 – October 2; 10 counties open November 22 – December 4 during the Buck Season, and all 55 counties open December 6-31. The daily bag limit is one bear per day with a season bag limit of two bears, provided at least one bear comes from Boone, Fayette, Kanawha or Raleigh counties. See pages 38-39.
4. There will be a special controlled black bear hunting season with dogs December 6-31, 2010, on Nathaniel Mountain and Short Mountain Wildlife Management Areas. Prior application is required. See page 39.
5. A statewide Youth Small Game Season will be held on October 2, 2010 open to youth age 17 or less for all small game species. See page 30.
6. The participation age for the Youth Hunting Seasons (small game, antlerless deer, and spring turkey) has been increased from less than 15 to less than 18 years of age. All licensing requirements remain in effect for ages 15-17. See pages 29-30 and 33.
7. New replacement costs, based on antler size, have been established for illegally injured or killed antlered deer. See page 9.
8. Conservation Officers, of the Law Enforcement Section, are now renamed Natural Resource Police.

